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On behalf of member companies of the American Petroleum Institute Petroleum , please find attached the Testing HPV Testing Group (HPV consortium # Group's response to EPA's letter of April 12, 2004, inquiring on the status of CAS Nos. in our final, outstanding test plan/robust summary submission.

As indicated in the letter, the specified CAS Nos. are being handled under our Heavy Fuel Oils test plan. We anticipate submission of this last of our 13 category test plans by May 31, 2004.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with comments or questions regarding this information.

Sincerely,

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Attention: Chemical Right-to-Know Program

Submitted via email to: opt.ncic@epa.gov and chem.rtk@epa.gov

American Petroleum Institute Petroleum HPV Testing Group RE: Consortium

Dear Mr. Auer:

In response to your inquiry, I would like to inform you that the HPV materials referenced in your letter of April 12, 2004, will be covered by our Heavy Fuel Oils test plan that will be submitted to the Agency during May, 2004. This anticipated test plan/robust summary submission date is well before the December 31, 2004 Agency deadline for receipt of outstanding commitments to avoid reclassification of these CAS nos, to orphan status.

As you know, the API Petroleum HPV Testing Group (see attached list of member companies) takes seriously its commitment to the High Production Volume (HPV) Challenge Program. As part of that commitment, the Testing Group has attempted to develop robust summaries and test plans that are scientifically sound, and maximize the use of data, thereby minimizing the need for additional animal testing. To achieve these objectives, we have organized the over 400 materials we are sponsoring into 13 categories, 12 of which have been submitted to the Agency. For each of the categories, we have tried to develop test plans and robust summaries of the highest quality. As a result, when ED issued its 2003 HPV status report "Facing the Challenge", the 4 test plans we had submitted at that time were given an overall rating of 3.8 out of 4.0, with 3 of the four plans receiving "A"s. We have tried to maintain this same level of quality in the eight test plans we have submitted since ED issued its report. However, as the Agency and others have recognized, categories can be difficult to define or justify. Consequently it has taken our group longer than anticipated to submit the test plan and robust summary for our final category, Heavy Fuel Oils. We believe the delay in this submission, while unanticipated, has allowed us to maintain the high quality of this, our final test plan submission.

Finally, it is still our goal to make all data available to the public by 2005.

Please do not hesitate to contact Tom Gray (202-682-8344) or me with any comments or questions you may have regarding this information.

Sincerely,

Lorraine E. Twerdok API HPV Program Administrator

Cc:

Charles Auer (EPA) Rich Hefter (EPA)

Via email

API Petroleum HPV Testing Group Member Companies

Petroleum HPV Testing Group Members in good standing as of 4/30/04 Amerada Hess Corporation ATOFina Oil and Chemical Company Big West Oil LLC/Flying J Inc. BP p.l.c. Calcasieu Refining Co. Cenex Harvest States ChevronTexaco Products Company CITGO Asphalt Refining Company CITGO Petroleum Corporation ConocoPhillips Countrymark Cooperative, Inc. Cross Oil Refining & Marketing, Inc. Crown Central Petroleum Company **Dakota Gasification Company** Dynegy Midstream Services, Limited Partnership Edgington Oil Company Elkhorn Operating Company Enterprise Products Operating LP Equilon Enterprises, LLC and Motiva Enterprises, LLC Ergon Refining, Inc. Ergon West Virginia ExxonMobil Co. Farmland Industries, Inc. Flint Hills Resources, LP Formosa Hydrocarbons Co., Inc. Giant Industries, Inc. Golden Bear Oil Specialties Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company Holly Corporation/Navajo Refining Company Honeywell International Inc. Hovensa, LLC **Hunt Refining Company**

Petroleum HPV Testing Group Members in good standing as of 4/30/04 Kern Oil & Refining Co. La Gloria Oil and Gas Lion Oil Company Lyondell-CITGO Refining LP Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC Merichem Chemicals & Refinery Services LLC Murphy Oil USA, Inc. National Cooperative Refinery Association **Neville Chemical Company** PDV Midwest Refining, LLC Pennzoil-Quaker State Co. Placid Refining Company LLC Premcor Refining & Marketing, Inc. Reynolds Metal Company Safety-Kleen Oil Recovery Sasol North America, Inc. Shell Oil Company Sid Richardson Gasoline Co. Silver Eagle Refining, Inc. Sinclair Oil Corporation South Hampton Refining Co. Sunoco, Inc. Tejas Energy, LLC Tesoro Petroleum Corporation True Oil Company/Eighty-Eight Oil Company/Equitable Oil Purchasing Company **Unocal Corporation** US Oil & Refining Co. Valero Energy Corporation Williams Energy Services Wynnewood Refining Company